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IN FLAME RETARDANTS
Examiner: Nicole M. Buie
Art Unit: 1796
Confirmation: 5008

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir/Madam:

After-Final Amendment and Response

This response is in reply to the final office action mailed on November 25, 2009; and a telephonic interview with the examiner on December 1, 2009.

Amendments

1. Please amend claim 1 to read as follow:

"1. An antidripping fluoropolymer concentrate consisting essentially of a solidified suspension, the suspension being a solid fluoropolymer evenly dispersed in a molten flame retardant selected from organic bromine compounds and organic phosphorous compounds, said flame retardant suspension having been allowed to solidify solidify."

Support for the above amendment can be found at paragraph [0032] of the corresponding PG Pub – as identified by the examiner in the office action.

Claims Rejection/Objections

2. Claims 1-4, 6-13, 25 and 27-31 are rejected as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter of the invention and objected for containing an obvious misspelling of "solidify."

The Applicant respectfully submits that amended claim 1 should successfully overcome the Examiner's above-mentioned rejection. During the telephone conference, the applicant's representative understood that this amendment would overcome the examiner's rejections to obtain an allowance.

Conclusion

3. As it is believed that the rejection set forth in the Office Action has been fully addressed, favorable reconsideration and allowance are earnestly solicited. If the Applicants explanations are not found persuasive, the Examiner is respectfully requested to kindly grant to the Applicants an interview for clarifying the issues.

Respectfully submitted


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